

October 10, 2002

MEMORANDUM TO: Thomas G. Scarbrough, Senior Mechanical Engineer
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FROM: Samuel J. Collins, Director */RA/*
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF MEETING ON OCTOBER 7, 2002, REGARDING
DIFFERING PROFESSIONAL VIEW (DPV) NO. NRR-02-DPV-04

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As we discussed, a public meeting is scheduled for October 31, 2002, at 2:30 pm in the Commissioners' Conference Room, to brief the Commission on the proposed rulemaking. I will keep you posted on how this process will be defined as the agenda is developed.

During our meeting, we discussed the process options available to address your concerns. It is my understanding that since your views have been provided to the Commissioners for their consideration in conjunction with the proposed rulemaking, and due to the predecisional nature of the rulemaking, a DPV panel would not be appropriate at this time.

As I committed to you, I will keep you informed of the Commission's deliberations and the options available to address your concerns. Again, I thank you for your contribution to NRR office goals and your willingness to express differing views.

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